TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 1917 – HB 1898

April 4, 2014

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Declares it is the goal of the state to reduce the amount of solid waste disposed of at Class I municipal solid waste disposal facilities and incinerators by 25 percent until December 31, 2015, by 38 percent between January 1, 2016 and December 31, 2017, and by 50 percent beginning January 1, 2018. Requires any municipal solid waste region failing to meet such waste reduction goals to implement a residential curbside collection of source-separated recyclable materials, provide notice of the opportunity to recycle to households, and promote source separation of recyclable materials through a public education program as well as implementing one of nine specified programs. Requires the Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) to give priority to solid waste regions that fail to meet such goals when issuing grants.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Decrease State Revenue - \$78,300/Solid Waste Management Fund/FY15-16 \$30,500/Environmental Protection Fund/FY15-16

\$156,600/Solid Waste Management Fund/FY16-17 \$60,900/Environmental Protection Fund/FY16-17

\$234,900/Solid Waste Management Fund/FY17-18 \$91,400/Environmental Protection Fund/FY17-18

\$313,200/Solid Waste Management Fund/FY18-19 \$121,800/Environmental Protection Fund/FY18-19

\$522,000/Solid Waste Management Fund/FY19-20 \$203,000/Environmental Protection Fund/FY19-20

Increase State Expenditures - \$5,600/One-Time \$55,700/Recurring

Increase Local Revenue - \$123,500/FY15-16

\$247,100/FY16-17 \$370,700/FY17-18 \$494,200/FY18-19

\$823,700/FY19-20

Decrease Local Expenditures – \$2,397,700/FY15-16 \$4,795,500/FY16-17 \$7,193,200/FY17-18 \$9,590,900/FY18-19 \$15,984,900/FY19-20

Increase Local Expenditures - Exceeds \$13,564,100/FY15-16* Exceeds \$5,813,500/FY16-17 to FY17-18*

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (014888, 015690): Amendment 014888 deletes all language after the enacting clause. Creates the Tennessee Solid Waste and Recycling Advisory Committee (TSWRAC), composed of 14 total members; 10 citizens of varying backgrounds, 2 members from local government, and 2 members from the Department of Environment and Conservation. Requires the advisory committee to submit its recommendations in a report to the Speakers of the House and Senate by February 15, 2015. Requires the state solid waste management plan developed by the Department of Environment and Conservation to identify incentives and systems that political subdivisions of the state may use to facilitate recycling and reuse of construction waste and include recommendations for large scale composting in major metropolitan areas, composting strategies that may be applied to specific types of waste producers, and recommendations for a statewide system of collecting recyclable plastics that is based on regional collection centers. Amendment 015690 adds two more members to the TSWRAC.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- According to information provided by TDEC, the required additions to the state solid waste management plan will not result in any significant fiscal impact to the department.
- According to the provisions of the bill as amended, members of the advisory committee shall serve without compensation and reimbursement for travel expenses.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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